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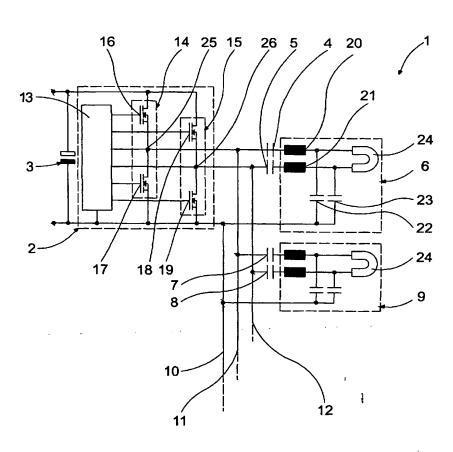
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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a background lighting system for a liquid crystal display, more particularly to an electronic circuit for operation of one or more discharge lamps. A DC/AC full-bridge inverter circuit generates two voltages whose AC components are phase-shifted by 180°. The discharge lamps are supplied with the sum of these two AC voltages.

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